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# Radanovich selected for Project CENTRL

According to the January 28th edition of the Arizona Silver Belt, Sharon Radanovich and Fernando Shipley, both of Globe were selected to represent Gila County for "Project CENTRL's (Center for Rural Leadership) Class XVII."

"Project CENTRL is a two year leadership development course and only accepts 30 new students every two years. These students are selected from a large pool of highly motivated candidates from all over rural Arizona.

Sharon (Winters) Radanovich was born into a ranching family in Globe. She manages the Gila County Solid Waste Division and is on the board of directors for the Grand Canyon Chapter of SWANA (Solid Waste Association of North America). Sharon has coordinated numerous clean up events that include organizing a household hazardous waste collection. She also has worked tirelessly to raise money for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

Sharon was recently nominated for the "Governor's Pride" award which recognizes individuals who champion efforts to clean and beautify Arizona.

Project CENTRL is an educational program which was first started in 1983 under a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The program is a partnership between the University of Arizona and the non-profit Center for Rural Leadership. The purpose of Project CENTRL is to help highly motivated individuals who are residents of rural Arizona and who have strong rural interests in developing their leadership potentials in meeting these challenges. Candidates for the Leadership Program must be residents of, involved with, rural areas of Arizona and demonstrate leadership qualities as evidenced by their participation in community, political or organizational activities."

*If you would like more information about Project CENTRL or would like to apply for a future class, please contact Everett Rhodes at (520)316-0909.*

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## Administration

**They're baaaaaack!!!** The Board of Supervisors will begin requesting information from each Department on a quarterly basis again, or as we know them - Quarterly Reports. This information will not be nearly as detailed as in previous quarterly reports. Now they are looking for one page or just a few paragraphs outlining the major projects, events or significant changes during the quarter. They want a summary, they no longer want statistics involving tons of material, miles of roads, hours of staff, etc., or pictures of work that has been done. The work we take part in usually involves the Supervisors and the Administrative Departments, so they want us to keep them informed of projects that have been completed or changes made that they may not otherwise be aware of.

## Engineering

**In August of 2003, the Gila County Surveyor's** worked with the National Geodetic Survey Service to establish 21 Primary Survey Control points throughout Gila County. They are now working with the NGS to establish approximately 75 additional survey secondary control points within and around the populated areas of Gila County. From these points all private property corners will be tied and incorporated in a data base. This will provide accurate private land boundaries for the Assessor's parcel maps, as well as numerous other uses. This system will be compatible with all state and federal maps, so will create a "seamless" boundary throughout Gila County. Another current project is the opening of a new gravel pit in the Castle Dome Area. This pit has been approved by the U.S. Forest Service, after a two year waiting period and many studies by various government agencies. The Castle Dome Pit should provide good granite material for the next 10 years. A re-alignment of the Fairgrounds road is also in the preliminary stages of design. The survey department will soon be staking this preliminary alignment to be viewed by all landowners in the area. A new land parcel base in Miami is also nearing completion. Tom Homan, Ken Doss and Rick Bunger have been working on this project for the past two years. It will provide the first "seamless" accurate survey map of the Town of Miami and surrounding areas.

## Solid Waste

**Gila County Solid Waste is very busy with the Paper Recycling.** In the months of December and January the Solid Waste Division has had 44.67 tons of paper hauled to Vista Paper Recycling, the City of Globe is the biggest contributor, hauling in 29 tons from their bins located at Fry's and Broad Street. The City has stream lined their delivery by putting a door on the dumpsters so they can lift with a tool carrier loader with forks and empty into the 40 yard roll off bin. In December and January, 6.61



tons have been recycled from the blue recycle cans located in County offices. And the Town of Miami has brought in 1.85 tons from the bin located by the Miami Public Works parking lot. 126.53 tons of paper has been hauled to the recycler since mid-July. Plans are being developed to construct a permanent fixture for the paper bin for easier access at the landfill. Diana Jones and Sharon Radanovich will be attending a grant information class on February 6, to apply for additional funds for added paper bins.

## **In the Copper Region since the Roosevelt Flood**

occurred in September, the crews have spent many equipment and man hours repairing the damages there as well as in the Pringle Pump area. All the culverts had to be cleaned and two culverts had to be replaced on Pringle Pump Road which entailed hauling granite in order to install them properly as well as removing and hauling the trash and dirt away. Tonto Basin Forest Service roads 423, 426, 71 and 60 had washouts that needed repairs; material was hauled and many of the roads in the Tonto Basin area were resurfaced. Cattle guards were replaced on Cherry Creek and A+ road. Dripping Springs, Copper Hills Road, Pinal Creek Road and Vertical Heights Road were bladed. Pinal Creek Road, Landfill Road and Montecito needed shoulder maintenance and that project was completed also. Drainage maintenance was done on El Camino and a slab was poured on El Camino & Globe Avenue in order to widen the intersection. The culvert pipe on Main Street between Short & Apache in Central Heights was removed and replaced and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue was paved. In other news, on February 3rd, at the Board of Supervisor's Meeting, Ken Hicks, Roads Department Manager, was presented with a 2003 Leadership Merit Award. The Timber Region Road crew worked on the ACIP Safety Survey, completed the Houston Mesa Cut rehabilitation project, Webber Creek Bypass (FSR 3731), and resurfacing on Webber Creek Hill. As always, on-going removal of bark beetle trees, and routine blading. Also pushed up and hauled buckhead for the Fossil Creek Project, brush trimming, culvert cleaning, and patching hot mix on Pine Creek Canyon Road in Pine. The Road & Shop crews completed the Defensive Driving training class. Clay Brunson, Barney Branstetter, Allen Oswalt, and Smokey Slaughter attended a paving class offered by Empire in Mesa. All were very impressed by this class! And the diesel shop has been working on safety locks and latches on trailers and rebuilding gates on belly dumps. One major project was the reconditioning of the Sheriff Office's Chuck Wagon (portable kitchen). After 8 years with the Timber region shops, Mike Frandsen has taken a supervisory position with Waste Management. Lastly, the Timber Region recently lost a good friend, Jim Vickers lost his battle with cancer January 15, 2004. He will surely be missed.

## **CONSOLIDATED ROADS**

### **& Shops**



## **Facilities Management**

**Facilities has been extremely busy** working on the Clerk of Court/Law Library remodel. In addition to that, a place for a Recorder's Office in Payson has been found and preliminary work has started to build the new office which will be located as an addition to the Payson Assessor's office. Also, the Payson Sheriff's Office will now have an evidence storage building and a storage building for Payson Elections Office has been started. Both storage buildings will be located in the Star Valley Yard. Also, the Globe Jail new Laundry room should be completed very soon.